(d) Under the National AIDS Control Programme, the following measures are being taken by Delhi State AIDS Control Society for awareness and control of the spread of AIDS in Delhi.

- Regular Information Education and Communication (lEC) & Awareness programmes in slums & JJ clusters.
- Mobile Clinics for treatment and counselling of high group in slums and JJ clusters.
- Advocacy workshop for religious, political ad opinion leaders and media persons.
- 1200 Schools have been covered under School AIDS education programme.
- Tele counselling on toll free No. 1097.
- Counselling centres at Jawahar Lai Nehru University.
- Promotion of Voluntary Blood Donation.
- Family Health Awareness Campaign for ea.'ly detection and prompt of Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI).
- 11 targeted intervention projects for high risk groups in slums and JJ clusters.
- Voluntary Counselling and Testing Centre at 14 Government Hospitals.
- Voluntary Counselling in Stree Shakti Camps.
- Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission Programme in 10 Government Hospitals.

Spread of AIDS

496. SHRI PREM CHAND GUPTA:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the CIA has raised a red fi^g on the alarming spread of the AIDS epidemics in five countries including India, China and Russia emphasi2ing that these countries pose a potential health security threat to both internal and international community;

(b) whether a US National Intelligence Council study conducted for the CIA states that by 2010 the growth of AIDS will outstrip the spread in all other countries; and

(c) if so, the action taken by Government to control the spread of AIDS in India?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRt A. RAJA): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir.

\n order to prevent and control the spread of HIV/AIDS in India, Government of India has launched a comprehensive Programme, currently under implementation throughout the country as a centrally sponsored scheme with the following components:—

- Reducing the spread of HIV in groups at high risk by identification of target populations and providing peer counselling, condom promotion and treatment of sexually transmitted infections.
- Preventive intervention for the general population by Information, Education and Communication (lEC) and awareness campaign, provision of voluntary testing and counselling, safe blood transfusion services and prevention of occupational exposure.
- Providing financial assistance for opportunistic infections, home and community based care.
- Strengthening effectiveness and technical, managerial and financial sustainability at national, State and Municipal levels.
- Promoting collaboration amongst public, private and voluntary sectors.

Evening OPD in hospitals in Delhi

†497. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have formulated a scheme to start evening OPD in four major hospitals in Delhi;

†Ofiginal notice of the Question was received in Hindi.